

Mobile's War Spirit Revealed In Its Greeting to McAdoo

Historic Southern Town Blends the Old With the New
in Answering the Call of the Secretary
on Tour

By Ralph Block

NEW ORLEANS, April 13.—Mobile, a city that echoes with the memories of a rich past, has manifested the strategic value of the Treasury Department's Liberty Loan campaign. One of the commonplaces of the present war is the extent in which it may be actually fought miles from the battle line. Secretary of the Treasury McAdoo recognizes this possibility in his swing about the country, finding resources for further effort and at the same time taking home to the people the absolute necessity of victory and the significant part resources must play in the final result.

Mobile, a charming city because it is still somewhat naive and dreaming by the light of its own rich heritage, unconsciously added a new phase to this strategic advance in the demonstration organized to greet Mr. McAdoo.

Down Government Street, that old street through which the English marched into Mobile, past the Secretary of the Treasury standing on the courthouse steps, Mobile sent almost one-third of its population, 20,000 persons, representing every shade of interest and activity of the city.

Offer of All to Save Freedom
It was a magnificent gesture. It was like a stretching out of hands to the altar of sacrifice that war sets up at the shrine of Liberty. It was Mobile as a symbol of America offering all its strength, her health and her vitality to pour into the hopper of war to save freedom. For those who doubted it was an answer, a reply to all tentative faiths.

Mobile is another curious instance of the chemistries of war. It is a strange combination of the old and the new, both full of interest, both attractive and both necessary to the new life and wonderful vistas to which American cities are pledging their destinies.

Mobile is rapidly becoming one of the great shipbuilding ports of the South. The Tennessee Coal and Iron Company, a part of the United States Steel Corporation, is spending millions to build two towns, one for white laborers, the other for negroes, on the Chickahatchee, a thirteen thousand acres will be covered by plants for building steel ships. And what is pleasant for present contemplation is that there will be fifty-five of them to start with.

The city of Mobile is itself actively concerned with its new history. It is building a dock and terminal to cost \$500,000. The Mobile & Ohio Railroad is planning a \$1,000,000 terminal. The Emergency Fleet Corporation is building wooden ships now. Two of them, their white ribs standing out strong and clean, could be seen standing on the ways in the trip the Secretary of the Treasury took down Mobile Bay. The Alabama Drydock and Shipbuilding Company is building the largest drydock south of Newport News.

McAdoo Captures Florida
Florida, a land that smiles, has rushed to the aid of the Liberty Loan with all the energy at its command. The hesitations of a nation unused to war are not to be found anywhere in Florida, and the Liberty Loan is spoken of in terms that run far beyond the expectations put upon the various communities by the Treasury Department.

The steps the Secretary of the Treasury is making at wayside stations grow more frequent and more exacting. Schools are demobilized and stores closed to allow village populations to receive as much Liberty Loan message as the already fatigued Secretary can put over in five minutes. The magic phrase, "We're going to finish the Kaiser," grows more magic in its power to bring response. The people are in the fight, and there is not any mistake about it.

Why nobody thought of going to the people in this manner to relieve the sorely harassed Federal Treasury during the Civil War even Mr. McAdoo himself is unable to tell.

Unifying Opinion

He has commented on it several times; on the case with which Chase might have found the funds for pushing the war, with the great advantage of unifying the fighting morale of the people in doing it, if he had gone out to dig up the stimulating effect of the Treasury Department's Liberty Loan tour is fairly obvious. It appears to unify opinion, to destroy distracting doubts and to focus attention on the common cause.

"If you are not more than a 25-cent patriot, when you ought to be a \$5,000 patriot," declared the Secretary of the Treasury, "then get off the free soil of America and go and live with the Kaiser. Every patriot should go to the limit of his means in lending to the government."

South Likes to Parade
The South likes to parade. They paraded in Jacksonville, and in Pensacola, they marched the Secretary through a dozen blocks to a large warehouse, where several thousand persons were waiting to hear him.

After the warehouse talk a rather severe ordeal, in view of the growing strain upon the voice of the chief actor, the Pensacola committee took Mr. McAdoo and his party for a yacht ride in Pensacola Bay.

After the yacht had found its way out from the wharves there was a buzzing of flying boats appeared. First there was one and then half a dozen and then ten flying in formation, until everywhere in the sky were airplanes. Over the city hovered a surprisingly wild dirigible, a "blimp" as they've already learned to call it in Pensacola.

"America must not by division chloroform its unity of action," Mr. McAdoo told his Jacksonville audience. "In these times of all kinds of Democrats, all citizens of all kinds, look alike to me, provided they are for America."

Mobile gave Secretary McAdoo the greatest response he has received in the six days in the Liberty Loan tour. Eighteen thousand persons, representing every interest and section of the community, marched before the Secretary's party reviewing the parade from the steps of the Mobile County Court House. Before the parade Mr. McAdoo was taken on a tour of Mobile Bay and was shown numbers of steel and wooden ships under construction on the ways and ready for launching.

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40-inch High-lustre Crepe Metere, very superior quality,	per yard	\$2.90

WHITE SILKS

36-inch Habutai Silk, heavy weight	per yard	\$1.15
36-inch Imported Washable Satin, very fine quality,	per yard	1.60
39-inch Imported Chiffon Taffeta	per yard	1.90
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The Sale of Vogue Patterns

Fashion experts are in at-
tendance to give advice con-
cerning matters of dress.

T. L. Earle's Divorce Decree Set Aside

Westchester Man, Now Army
Captain, Will Appeal De-
cision, He Says

WHITE PLAINS, N. Y., April 13.—The troubles of Theodore Langsbury Earle, son of Ellis Potter Earle, head of the Nipissing Mining Company, and his wife, Mrs. Hester Benwick Earle, who has been occupied the attentions of the courts since April, 1916, were again made public to-day through a decision of the Appellate Division in Brooklyn, which set aside a divorce obtained by Mr. Earle a year ago. At the same time that the announcement that his decree had been set aside was made public, Mr. Earle announced he would immediately carry the matter to the Court of Appeals and fight to make the divorce permanent.

The Earles, who have two children, separated early in 1916. Mr. Earle named Loudon F. Condit, a Cornell University and the Columbia School of Mines. He has just been made a captain of the United States Engineers Corps, and expects to leave for France shortly.

While living here, Mrs. Earle, who is now only twenty-five years old, became known as one of the best dancers in Westchester County, and her skill and daring as a driver of racing automobiles was frequently commented on.

Professor in Divorce Raid

Seminary Instructor Witness
for Brother

Justice Lehman reserved decision yesterday in the divorce action of John Spencer Crosby, of 5 West Thirty-seventh Street, against Mrs. Viola Crosby.

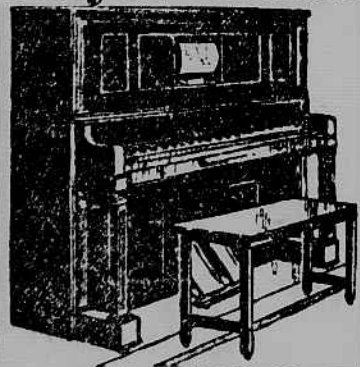
The case was based on a visit paid to a suite at the Hotel Cumberland on February 2, by Crosby, his brother, Professor Alpheus D. Crosby, of the Bloomfield Theological Seminary and Bloomfield High School, Marshall Shackerford, secretary of the Rivers and Harbors Congress, and Joseph de Julian, a private detective.

He testified that in the first room of the suite the raising party, which obtained admission on the detective's representation that he was a plumber, met a woman not Mrs. Crosby. A man strolled in from another room. In still another room was Mrs. Crosby. The detective quoted Mrs. Crosby as saying to her husband, "Hello, Spencer."

De Julian said in answer to a question by Justice Lehman that he did not remember the defendant saying anything more. "Did she not say, he is with the other woman, not with me?" asked the justice. The detective admitted that Mrs. Crosby did say no. Justice Lehman interrogated further: "Don't you consider that important?" De Julian thought it might be.

Miss Dorothy Black Engaged
Mr. and Mrs. Henry Van Deventer Black, of Irvington-on-Hudson, announce the engagement of their daughter, Miss Dorothy Black, to Randolph Martin Elsworth, U. S. N. R. E., son of the late Randolph Martin Elsworth, and Mrs. Henry Anthon Bostwick, also of Irvington. Mr. Elsworth expects to soon fly France.

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